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Applicant : Hiroshi Abe

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner:

In response to the Office action dated December 20, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.